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CITY of ALBUQUERQUE SEVENTEENTH COUNCIL

Calling on The Administration to Place The Highest Priority on Storm Drainage Renovation and Rehabilitation Projects That Directly Affect The Areas That Flooded During Recent Rainstorms and to Work With The Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Coordinate Testing, Maintenance and Responsibilities With Respect to The Storm Drainage System (Benton)

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CALLING ON THE ADMINISTRATION TO PLACE THE HIGHEST PRIORITY ON STORM DRAINAGE RENOVATION AND REHABILITATION PROJECTS THAT DIRECTLY AFFECT THE AREAS THAT FLOODED DURING RECENT RAINSTORMS AND TO WORK WITH THE ALBUQUERQUE/BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY TO COORDINATE TESTING, MAINTENANCE AND RESPONSIBILITIES WITH RESPECT TO THE STORM DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, recent heavy rainstorms have shown that there is a significant need for continued upgrades to the City's storm drainage system; and

WHEREAS, these rainstorms have served to highlight those neighborhoods that are in the most urgent need for storm drainage upgrades and improvements; and

WHEREAS, recent events have also highlighted the need for regular monitoring, maintenance and testing of the City's pump stations and related infrastructure as well as the need for an increase in cooperation and communication between the City and the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Water

Utility Authority; and

WHEREAS, each year the City sets aside millions of dollars for storm drainage improvements from the proceeds of the Basic Services Quarter Cent GRT, and biannually from the proceeds of General Obligation bonds issued for the City's Capital Implementation Program.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE:

Section 1. That the City Council calls upon the Administration to:

- 1. Prioritize funding for storm drainage renovation and rehabilitation projects to place the highest priority on funding projects that improve the storm drainage systems in recently flooded neighborhoods; and
- 2. Work with the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to put in place a system for routinely monitoring, inspecting and testing pumps and related infrastructure on a regular basis; and
- 3. Work with the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to clearly define the roles and responsibilities of the City and the Authority with regard to the testing, maintenance, upgrading and replacement of the storm drainage system; and
- 4. Report to the City Council on the progress towards Items 2 and 3 above within 45 days of the enactment of this resolution.

